

**15-DAY COMMENT PERIOD MODIFICATIONS
FOR
PROPOSED FIRE STANDARDS
OF THE
DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT - ACCESS COMPLIANCE
REGARDING THE ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE
2006 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE (IFC)
INTO THE 2007 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 24, PART 9**

Legend for Express Terms:

1. California amendments brought forward without modification: *All such language appears in Italics.*
 2. California amendments brought forward with modification: *All such language appears in Italics, modified language is underlined.*
 3. New IFC language with new California amendment: IFC language is shown in normal Arial 9 pt. California amendments to IFC text appear underlined and in italics.
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 6. 15-Day modification Repealed text: Shown as ~~Strikeout~~.
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 8. 15-Day modifications: Shown as ~~Strikeout~~ or underlined.
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907.10.1.3 Groups I-1 and R-1. DSA/AC proposes to add a reference to additional provisions for visible and audible alarms located in Chapter 11B of the California Building Code.

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: In response to comment received during the 45-day comment period stating concerns that this section may reduce current requirements for visual and audible alarms, DSA/AC is proposing to make an editorial amendment to add a reference to existing requirements in Chapter 11B, Section 1111B.4.5, Table 11B-3, and Table 11B-4.

The purpose of the note is to coordinate with Chapter 11B Section 1111B.4.5 and Tables 11B-3 and 11B-4. For occupancies required to comply with the access provisions in Chapter 11B the required number of visible and audible alarms are required for R-1 occupancies with less than 6 sleeping units. This reference adds clarification to the code for those occupancies required to comply with 11B.

The actions described above are reasonably necessary to carry out the purpose for which it is proposed. The rationale for these actions is to establish minimum requirements for the prevention of fire and for the protection of life and property against fire and panic in occupancies that are addressed in the 2006 International Fire Code and published as the 2007 California Building Code pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 18949.2, 13108, 13113, 13114, 13131.5, 13143 and 17921.

907.10.1.3 Groups I-1 and R-1. Group I-1 and R-1 sleeping units in accordance with Table 907.10.1.3 shall be provided with a visible alarm notification appliance, activated by both the in-room smoke alarm and the building fire alarm system.

**TABLE 907.10.1.3
VISIBLE AND AUDIBLE ALARMS**

NUMBER OF SLEEPING UNITS	SLEEPING UNITS WITH VISIBLE AND AUDIBLE ALARMS
6 to 25	2
26 to 50	4
51 to 75	7
76 to 100	9
101 to 150	12
151 to 200	14
201 to 300	17
301 to 400	20
401 to 500	22
501 to 1,000	5% of total
1,001 and over	50 plus 3 for each 100 over 1,000

[For DSA/AC] In addition to these requirements, see Chapter 11B Section 1111B.4.5, Table 11B-3, and Table 11B-4 of the California Building Code.

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907.10.1.5 Group I-1, R-3.1 and R-4. DSA/AC proposes to replace the word “which” with the word “who” in the sentence beginning, “Protective social care facilities which house persons ~~which~~ who are hearing impaired, . . .”

Authority Cited – GC§ 4450.

Reference – GC §§ 4450 through 4461, 12955.1(d) and H&SC§§ 18949.1, 19952 through 19959.

Rationale: Grammatically, “which” is used to indicate objects, “who” is more appropriately used to indicate persons.

907.10.1.5 Group I-1, R-3.1 and R-4. Protective social care facilities which house persons ~~which~~ who are hearing impaired, shall be provided with notification appliances for the hearing impaired installed in accordance with NFPA 72 and which shall activate upon initiation of the fire alarm system or the smoke alarms.